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**Re: Records Request 2488**

Dear Mr. Martinez,

The Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) has processed your records request regarding:

“Records and materials related to the solicitation, acquisition, and use of face recognition technology and related software and services.

This software or services may be provided by Rekognition, Face++, and FaceFirst; this request is applicable to these and any other company providing facial recognition services under consideration or contract with this agency.

Materials responsive include but are not limited to:

- Agreements: contracts (including non-disclosure agreements), licensing agreements, nondisclosure agreements.
- Bid records: Requests for proposal (or equivalent calls for bids), sole source or limited source justification and approval documentation, documentation of selection, and other materials generated in the consideration and selection of the technology in question.
- Company relations and communications: records related to meetings or follow-up actions with any vendors, companies, or other private entities marketing face recognition to this agency for immigration, intelligence, law enforcement, or other use.
- Financial records: purchase orders, invoices, and other memoranda and documentation.
- Marketing records: All marketing materials – unsolicited, requested, or otherwise – acquired from vendors of face recognition technology.
- Policy records: any policy directives, guidance documents, memoranda, training materials, or similar records governing the use of face recognition technology for immigration, law enforcement, or other purposes. Any memoranda of understanding between this agency and other agencies to share data, access remote systems or other forms of information sharing with external agencies.
- Training records: training material governing the use, sharing, or access to any related data related to or collected by the face recognition software/technology, including the legal standard that is required before using the technology”

- Use and function records: Materials that describe the function of the software considered or in use by this agency, including emails, handouts, PowerPoint presentations, advertisements, or specification documents.
- Validation and accuracy: Records, reports, audits, and other documents sufficient to describe validation, accuracy, reliability, and policy compliance of the system.

Please limit the search to records produced from January 1, 2017 – present. Please include in your search as responsive records: communications, memorandums, background papers, meeting minutes, email exchanges, or presentation materials.”

Please find attached records responsive to your request. Please note that the following information has been redacted:

- Information from the Law Enforcement Agencies Database Systems (LEADS) pursuant to O.A.C. 45-1:2-10-06(c).
- Public service worker residential and familial information pursuant to R.C. 149.43(A)(8)(c).
- Information and photographs obtained from the Ohio Law Enforcement Gateway (OHLEG) pursuant to R.C. 109.57(D)(1)(b).
- Social security numbers pursuant to R.C. 149.43(A)(1)(dd) and R.C. 149.45(A)(1)(a); and
- Records that involve the infrastructure and security of our office pursuant to R.C. 149.433(A).
- ORI Number redacted. Rationale: Law Enforcement Agencies Database Systems (LEADS) documents withheld or redacted. Rationale: LEADS documents are not public records under O.A.C. 45-1:2-10-06(c).

This concludes BCI’s response to your records request. If you have any questions please call us at (740) 845-2100.

Sincerely,

s/Zahid H. Siddiqi

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